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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

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Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed July 1, 2003, with a shortened statutory period of three months for response. Accordingly, a two-month extension of time in which to respond is requested and a Petition and fee therefor accompany this response. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

Accompanying Documents

Accompanying this response are the following documents:

- (1) Declaration of Kenneth Barovsky;
- (2) Cover page of PCT Publication WO/0068692; and
- (2) Terminal Disclaimer

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